

Argument Against Measure U

Two years ago City Hall politicians rushed this same type of gas tax measure to the ballot with no public input, and no transparency. These same politicians approved a no-bid contract spending \$143,500 of your tax dollars on propaganda trying to sell their flawed, costly measure to the public. Rialto voters didn't buy it then – and shouldn't buy it now.

Measure U raises taxes at 27 times its current rate on fuel storage. This extreme tax hike will hurt our local economy risking local jobs and economic revenue our city and our communities depend on. Make no mistake – this hidden gas tax will force companies to leave our city taking tax revenue and jobs to another area.

Measure U will force fuel manufacturers to use storage tanker trucks to meet our energy needs, increasing truck traffic pollution and congesting local streets, roads, and highways. And these additional transportation costs will only serve to keep fuel prices at the pump higher.

Even worse, if fuel is trucked directly from the refineries, then it bypasses the need to be stored. With no stored fuel to tax, the City of Rialto will face an annual loss of 14 million dollars – money we all depend on for police and fire, libraries, street cleaning, infrastructure, and services for seniors and youth. Local businesses and taxpayers will have to make up the difference or the city could face more drastic budget cuts.

Stop more truck traffic. Stop more pollution. Protect local jobs, economic revenue for small businesses, and tax revenue for public safety, other services our communities depend on.

Join taxpayers, small businesses, and community leaders. Please Vote NO on Measure U and help to put a stop to the rising cost of fuel and the risk of additional taxes.

FORM OF STATEMENT TO BE FILED BY AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

All arguments concerning measures filed pursuant to Division 9, Chapter 3 (beginning with 9200) of the Elections Code shall be accompanied by the following form statement to be signed by each proponent, and by each author, if different, of the argument:

The undersigned proponent (s) or author (s) of the (Primary/~~Rebuttal~~) argument (~~in favor of~~/against) the ballot Measure U at the (title of election) GENERAL election for the (jurisdiction) City of Rialto to be held on November 4, 2014 hereby state that the argument is true and correct to the best of (his/her/their) knowledge and belief.

Print Name <u>Donald R Knabe</u> Title <u>Rialto City Resident</u>	Signature <u>Donald R Knabe</u> Date <u>8/21/14</u>
Print Name _____ Title _____	Signature _____ Date _____
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STATEMENT BY PROPONENTS/AUTHORS OF ARGUMENTS

Section 9600 of the Election Code requires that all arguments concerning measures shall be accompanied by the following for argument, to be signed by each proponent and by each author, if different, of the argument.

The undersigned proponent(s) or author(s) of the PRIMARY argument
(in favor of or against) AGAINST ballot proposition (measure) U at the GENERAL
(letter) (title of election)
election for the CITY OF RIALTO to be held on NOVEMBER 4TH 2014
(jurisdiction) (date of election)

I hereby state that this argument is true and correct to the best of _____
(his/her/their)

knowledge and belief.

Proponent's/Author's:

Signature:

Date:

1. Donald R Knabe
(Signature)

8/21/14
(Date)

DONALD R KNABE
(Print Name)

RIALTO CITY RESIDENT
(Title)

2. _____
(Signature)

(Date)

(Print Name)

(Title)

3. _____
(Signature)

(Date)

(Print Name)

(Title)

4. _____
(Signature)

(Date)

(Print Name)

(Title)

5. _____
(Signature)

(Date)

(Print Name)

(Title)